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| In re Application of | : | |
| Luiz Roberto MIRANDA et al. | : | |
| Application No. 10/525,366 | : | DECISION ON PETITION |
| Filed: February 23, 2005 | : | |
| Attorney Docket No. 10008.006 | : | |

This is a decision on the petition, filed June 24, 2009, which is being treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.8(b), requesting withdrawal of the holding of abandonment in the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

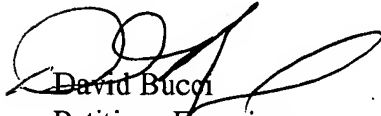
This application was held abandoned for failure to timely respond to the Office action of January 2, 2008, which set a three (3) month shortened statutory period for reply. Accordingly, a reply was due on or before April 2, 2008.

Petitioner states that a timely reply was mailed via certificate of mailing on July 2, 2008, which included the following papers: an amendment and a petition for an extension of time. Petitioner has submitted a copy of the previously mailed correspondence, which bears a certificate of mailing dated July 2, 2008, which would have rendered the reply timely if received.

A review of the file record reveals the papers were received in the Office on July 7, 2008. Accordingly, the holding of abandonment for failure to timely file a reply to the Office action of January 2, 2008 is hereby withdrawn and the application restored to pending status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Ron Abelson at (571) 272-3165 or in his absence, the undersigned at (571) 272-7099.

This application is being referred to Technology Center AU 1626 for appropriate action in the normal course of business on the reply received with petition.



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